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1. The fourth "cargoship," the HORIZONT, made a trial run from 16 to 21 April. It left Gdansk from point 17 of sketch 3. After the trial run it moored at the Stecznia Gdynska Im. Komuny Paryskiej in Gdynia at point 5 of sketch 1 next to a floating drydock in which was a "fishing research ship" described in paragraph 10 below.
2. Two other ships of the cargoship type lay in the water at point 6 of sketch 1. All three ships had a superstructure around which there was wooden scaffolding; see sketch 2.
3. The purpose of the cargoships, of which the HORIZONT is one, is still unclear. No demagnetizing installation was observed in Gdynia.
4. The fifth cargoship, at present moored in Gdansk at point 19 of sketch 3, still has no name. On 26 April the sixth cargoship is to be launched.
5. A Polish ship technician said that the map room and the room in which the central control on these ships is housed can be shut and made airtight. This airtight system is intended to permit sailing in areas where there is radio-activity.
6. The map room is built against the bridge. Communication between the bridge and the map room is through a watertight door. The map room has only windows which look out to the side. In this room there is a square object like a television set on the top of which there is a round screen about 30 centimeters in diameter. By the control knobs there is a text in Russian for this apparatus. There is a normal navi-

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7. It is possible to run the engine room from the central control room. The rudders can be operated by telephone from this room. The doors to the engine room can be closed off watertight.
8. The object on the bow of these boats is really a light buoy. During a trial run a similar buoy was set out and later taken on board.
9. An employee of the Polish shipyard said that these ships are being built for the Soviets. They are ahead of schedule in building these ships. The building plan is going quicker than originally planned.

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"Fishing Research Ships"

10. In the drydock next to the HORIZONTS mooring in Gdynia at point 5 as described in paragraph 1 was a ship which, judging from its screw installation, must belong to the so-called planned "fishing research ships." [redacted] they are really naval patrol vessels. This ship, in the drydock at point 4, was still unpainted and had no superstructure as yet. It had a double prop installation with adjustable screws. The dock was about 60 meters long and the entire ship fit in it.

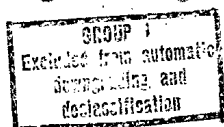
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Fishing Factory Ships B-15 and B-26 Series

11. The 26-1 named KOSMOS and the 26-2 named the KOMETA have been delivered. The 26-3, name unknown, had a trial run from 11 to 16 April.
12. The last ship of the B-15 series built for the Soviets is the B-15-14.
13. The NEPTUNE, a ship of the B-15 series, sailed from October 1962 to mid-March for Nigeria with a Nigerian crew of 15. The ship berthed in Lagos. They fished in the vicinity of Nigeria with much success. In one haul they are said to have caught 20 tons of fish. The ship was in Nigeria to develop new sales area for this type of ship. The sale of the fish caught, however, appeared to be rather difficult in Nigeria.
14. The fishing factory ship BROESBA belongs to the B-15 series; its construction number is 9.

Fishing Factory Ship PISNERSK

15. The fishing factory ship PISNERSK has a five-cylinder ship engine



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by Birnmoister and Gaiñ with a capacity of 6000 hp. The ship is the only one of its kind and more will be built. Its berth is still unchanged; no further information is available.

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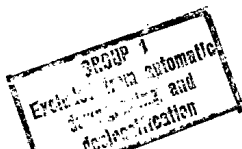
Landing Vessels

16. The landing vessel which lay by the shore at an earlier date must have been delivered because it is no longer there.
17. On 23 April two landing vessels were by the shore <sup>in Gdansk</sup> at points 13 and 15 of sketch 3 and two were under construction on a slip at point 11. There was as yet no radar on these ships, nor were there any names or numbers yet. The difficulties in the construction of these ships seem to have been solved. What the cause was is unknown. V-engines were standing in the halls; they very probably will be built into the landing vessels. The number of ships to be built is unknown.

Object Indexes to Sketches

18. Below is an object index to sketch 1 of Gdynia:
  1. Polish warship, presumably a destroyer, moored alongside a pier.   This warship was painted with brownish-colored red lead in many places.
  2. Polish submarine, pendant number not observed, moored at a pier for repairs at the yard.
  3. Two industry guards, armed with a rifle, continually on guard in the immediate vicinity of the floating dock at point 4.
  4. Floating drydock, an estimated 60 meters long.
  5. Fourth cargoship named HORIZONT.
  6. Two fishing research ships moored next to each other along the pier.
19. Below is an object index to sketch 3 of the North Yard at Gdansk:
  1. North Yard clothing store. Here protective clothing is supplied to welders, etc.
  2. Unknown building belonging to the North Yard and parking area for management.
  3. North Yard management building.
  4. Area where material is stored.
  5. A work shop made from stone where section building for the landing vessels and cargoships is done.
  6. Open-air area where sections of the superstructures for landing vessels are fastened together.
  7. Area where section building is done.
  8. New hoisting crane with a capacity of 20 tons with a span

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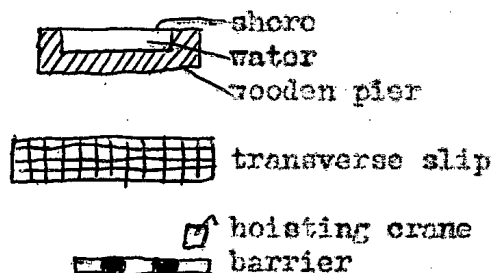
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- or 15 meters and 10 tons with a span of 20 meters. This crane moves on rails and is used to put the sections from the construction site on the transverse slip.
9. Pontoon bridge.
10. The sixth cargoship under construction on the transverse slip.
11. Two landing vessels under construction on the transverse slip.
12. Old longitudinal slip which is no longer used.
13. Landing vessel which is being completed; it is moored at the pier.
14. A work shop made from stone, partly turnery, planing-mill, and partly fitting shop.
15. Landing vessel undergoing completion and moored at pier.
16. A stone building used as a store.
17. The fourth cargoship, named HORIZONT, undergoing completion and moored at pier.
18. Work shop, function unknown.
19. The fifth cargoship undergoing completion and moored at pier.
20. Building with stone sackstack.
21. Part of building with test stand for engines.
22. Brass shop and galvanizing shop section.
23. Polish tanker somewhat larger tonnage-wise than the one moored at point 26.
24. Carpenter's work shop with, on the south side, a section of office space for the various managers, chiefs of section, and Soviet supervisory committees.
25. Area where material is stored.
26. Polish naval tanker [redacted] moored at pier.
27. A work shop where the plating shop is located.
28. Industry fire department.
29. Industry guard.
30. Parking area for cars.
31. Library.
32. Time clock area.
33. Gatekeeper's shed.
34. Parking area for bicycles.

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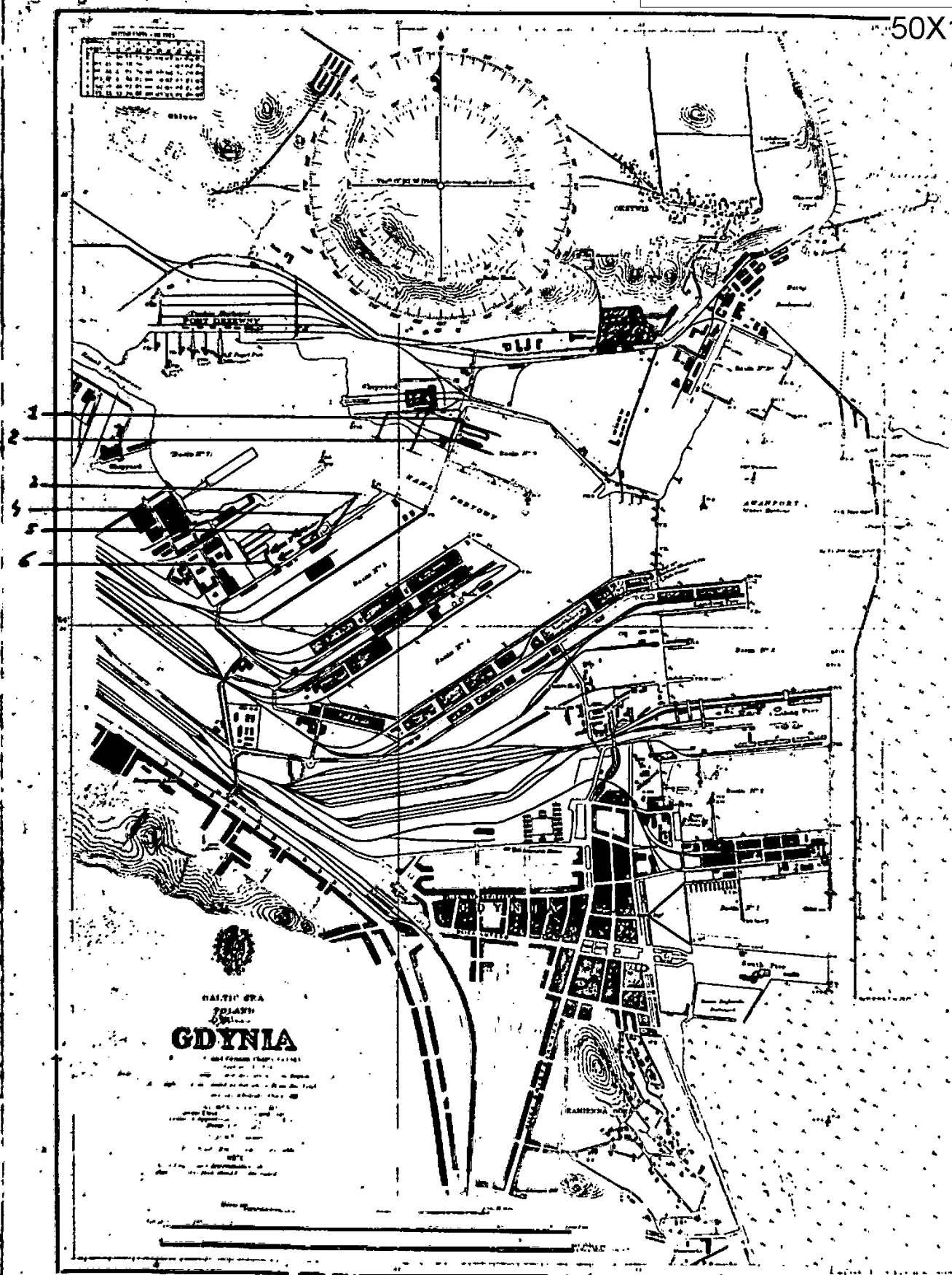
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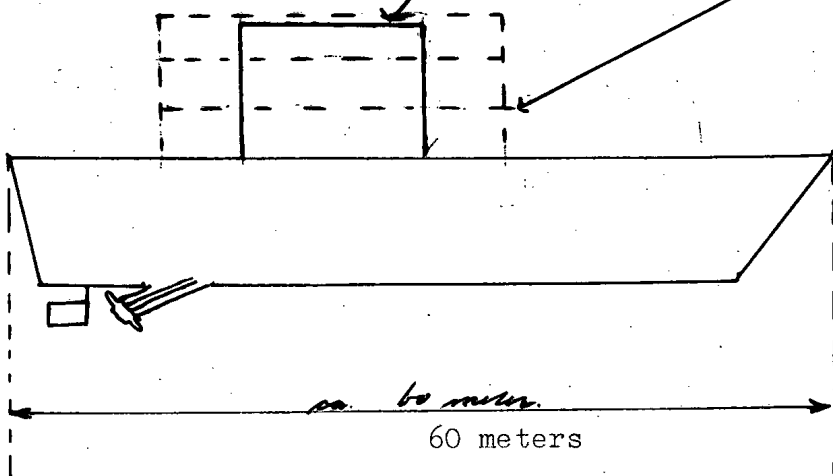
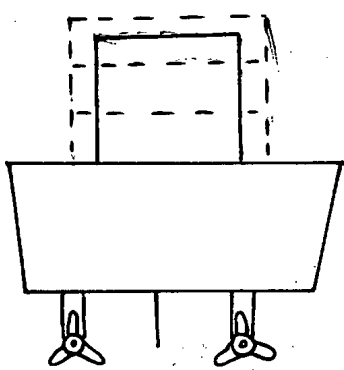
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te Gdynia.

"Fishing Research Ship" under construction at  
the Stocznia Gdynska Im. Komuny Paryskiej Shipyard  
in Gdynia

superstructure around which wooden  
scaffolding  
opbouw, waar omheen een houten steiger.



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